

“ Bounties ; and the beneficial effects of your measures will soon be further  
 “ experienced, if we continue to cultivate with industry and energy, this  
 “ rich source of wealth.

“ The internal affairs and circumstances of the Province have lately been  
 “ under my observation, and I am deeply impressed with the great capacities  
 “ for improvement which I every where witnessed.

“ I was particularly gratified to observe that very considerable effect upon  
 “ Agriculture has already been produced by a spirit of emulation, and a de-  
 “ sire of improvement, excited by those measures which I have already re-  
 “ commended, and which you have so liberally supported.

“ The sums so liberally voted for the Great Roads, have been managed,  
 “ with due circumspection, to engage in no great undertaking, until by care-  
 “ fully exploring in every practicable direction, the preferable route should  
 “ be ascertained, and distinct conviction of public advantage entertained.  
 “ Acting with this caution, I suspended proceedings upon the important line  
 “ which may establish a safe and permanent communication between the Seat  
 “ of Government and the city of St. John, until further examination of the  
 “ Country should be reported to me. But assured now of the practicability  
 “ of this undertaking, though perhaps at a greater cost than may have been  
 “ imagined, and confirmed in the opinion I have already stated as to the ad-  
 “ vantage and exigent necessity of such a route, I recommend a spirited and  
 “ substantial prosecution of this great work. The sums which have been ex-  
 “ pended upon the other Great Roads have, in general, been applied more  
 “ substantially than heretofore, and I recommend provision for continuing  
 “ them gradually in a similar manner.

“ I earnestly recommend to your continued Patronage the several Institu-  
 “ tions for the education of youth, and particularly the College of New-  
 “ Brunswick, which I have the satisfaction to acquaint you there is now every  
 “ reason to expect will soon be established, under very auspicious circum-  
 “ stances.

“ In the course of my extensive Tour, I had the pleasure to see a large  
 “ portion of the active male population of the Province, in the several fine  
 “ Corps of Militia which I inspected. I was highly satisfied with their ap-  
 “ pearance, military performances, and the zeal, public feeling and loyalty  
 “ evinced by officers and men. The duties of Inspection being too exten-  
 “ sive to be performed by one Person, I recommend continued provision for  
 “ the two distinguished Officers who hold the important situations of In-  
 “ specting Field Officers.

“ The Institutions which you have patronized for providing safe custody  
 “ and increase of the Savings of the Industrious Classes of Society, are in  
 “ satisfactory operation ; and have already been the means of accumulating  
 “ considerable sums, the earnings of persons contemplated by your enact-  
 “ ment.

“ I have had under particular consideration measures for improving the  
 “ natural facilities which the Country possesses for internal communication,  
 “ and likewise for promoting intercourse with our Sister Colonies. To these  
 “ important purposes I have applied part of the grant lately placed at my  
 “ disposal, and I shall cause to be laid before you, the opinion and estimates  
 “ of an experienced Engineer, who reports very favorably as to the practi-  
 “ cability of connecting the waters of the Bay of Fundy and the Gulph of  
 “ St. Lawrence by a navigable Canal. I shall further apply those means to